



# Kingsmead School



A PARTNER ACADEMY IN JOHN TAYLOR MAT

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## SSAT Leadership Programme

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had three successful years of running the SSAT Leadership programme at Kingsmead and the deadline for this year is 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024. This is compulsory for student leaders who have signed up to the programme.

The SSAT offers a formal way to champion and celebrate the leadership skills our students develop inside and outside of school; students should have created a portfolio in which they have gathered and uploaded evidence to showcase their skills. Before the deadline they will need to have self and peer-assessed their portfolios against the framework that covers ten core skill sets, grouped into three themes:

- **Developing myself**
- **Working with others**
- **Contributing to my community**

As a school, we are to hold 2 meetings every half-term, students have access to computer rooms to build their portfolios with the support of staff and Mrs. Beech, the Senior Leader for Student Leadership. I ask you to discuss the portfolio with your child, checking to make sure they have all areas covered. Each of the ten strands need an explanation of what leadership skills have been used and one piece of evidence; this can come in the form of a witness statement, photograph, screenshot, or certificate, etc.

They will need to hand in their portfolios, either hard copy or electronic, to Mrs. Beech a week before the deadline. These are then moderated by the SSAT who then provide certification. We will hold an awards ceremony whereby the students receive their certificate and treats to congratulate them on achieving their award.

Links to the Blended Learning Platform and the relevant documents:

[Student Leadership Accreditation - Secondary Student Pack \(1\).docx](#)

This is the document which students will be completing as their portfolio. They will need to download and save a copy onto their area. The last page is the template they will complete for each of the pieces of evidence they are providing. One piece of evidence is needed for each of the 10 strands found in the below link. You need to complete all 10 strands in the bronze level before moving onto silver. There is an example within the pack to help you.

[SSAT Strands with activities links.pptx](#)

This document has the success criteria grid for each strand and level. The blue headings are hyperlinked to suggested activities which would provide supporting evidence for the strand.

This is an excellent opportunity for your child to showcase their leadership skills and looks favourable on any CV or personal statement they write in the future.

If you have any further queries, please contact Mrs. Beech via email: [l.beech@kingsmeadschool.net](mailto:l.beech@kingsmeadschool.net)

Kind regards,

Mrs. L. Beech

Senior Leaders for Student Leadership